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APPLICANT:	PAGRATIS ET AL	}	EXAMINER:	FORMAN, B.J.
SERIAL NO.:	10/030,787		ART UNIT:	1634
FILED:	JANUARY 31, 2002			
TITLE:	HIGH AFFINITY TGF $\beta$ NUCLEIC ACID LIGANDS AND INHIBITORS			

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**TERMINAL DISCLAIMER RESUBMITTED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

A Notice of Appeal was filed on January 31, 2005 along with a 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 submission in which terminal disclaimers in respect of U.S. Pat. No. 6,346,611 and U.S. Pat. No. 6,713,616 were included. The Notice of Appeal fee (\$500) and the fee for the two terminal disclaimers (2 x \$130=\$260) were paid by check at that time. The postcard receipt (which was stamped by OIPE; copy is enclosed) indicates that two terminal disclaimers were submitted; however, it appears that the terminal disclaimer in respect of U.S. Pat. No. 6,713,616 was not received by the Examiner.

In a telephone conversation with attorney Steven Hird on February 28, 2005, the Examiner recommended that the Applicants resubmit the terminal disclaimer in respect of U.S. Pat. No. 6,713,616. A copy of the terminal disclaimer filed January 31, 2005 in respect of U.S. Pat. No. 6,713,616 is therefore enclosed. As the fee for two terminal disclaimers was paid by check on January 31, 2005, it is believed that no fee is required for this resubmission.

This constitutes a request for any needed extension of time and an authorization to charge all fees therefore to deposit account No. 19-5117, if not otherwise specifically requested. The

undersigned hereby authorizes the charge of any fees created by the filing of this document or any deficiency of fees submitted herewith to be charged to deposit account No. 19-5117.

Respectfully submitted,

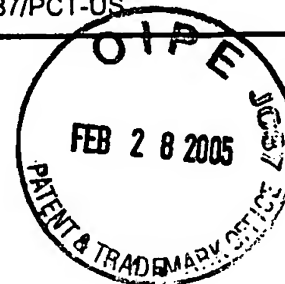
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**TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE A DOUBLE PATENTING  
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In re Application of: PAGRATIS, ET AL.

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For: HIGH AFFINITY TGF $\beta$  NUCLEIC ACID LIGANDS AND INHIBITORS

The owner\*, GILEAD SCIENCES, INC., of 100 percent interest in the instant application hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term **prior patent** No. 6,713,616 as the term of said prior patent is defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 173, and as the term of said **prior patent** is presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer. The owner hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and the **prior patent** are commonly owned. This agreement runs with any patent granted on the instant application and is binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

In making the above disclaimer, the owner does not disclaim the terminal part of the term of any patent granted on the instant application that would extend to the expiration date of the full statutory term as defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 173 of the **prior patent**, "as the term of said **prior patent** is presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer," in the event that said **prior patent** later:


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JANUARY 31, 2005  
Date

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**RECEIPT IS HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED OF:**

Notice of Appeal (4pgs.); Executed Declaration – Pagratis (1pg.);  
Terminal Disclaimer - USPN 6,346,611 (1pg.); Terminal Disclaimer –  
USPN 6,713,616 (1pg.), and Check in the amount of \$760.00.



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